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By Senators Haugen, Swecker, Hatfield, and Holmquist

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to public transit vehicle stops at unmarked stop 2 zones; and amending RCW 46.61.560.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

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- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.61.560 and 1991 c 319 s 408 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) Outside of incorporated cities and towns no person may stop, park, or leave standing any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, upon the roadway.
 - (2) Subsection (1) of this section and RCW 46.61.570 and 46.61.575 do not apply to the driver of any vehicle that is disabled in such manner and to such extent that it is impossible to avoid stopping and temporarily leaving the vehicle in such position. The driver shall nonetheless arrange for the prompt removal of the vehicle as required by RCW 46.61.590.
- 15 (3) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply to the driver of 16 a public transit vehicle who temporarily stops the vehicle upon the 17 roadway for the purpose of and while actually engaged in receiving or 18 discharging passengers at a marked transit vehicle stop zone approved 19 by the state department of transportation or a county upon highways

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under their respective jurisdictions. However, the driver of a public transit vehicle may, under circumstances consistent with the driver's duty to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons using the roadway, stop upon the roadway momentarily to receive or discharge passengers at an unmarked stop zone if the driver stops the vehicle as far to the right side of the roadway as is practicable so as to not significantly impede traffic.

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(4) Subsection (1) of this section and RCW 46.61.570 and 46.61.575 do not apply to the driver of a solid waste collection company or recycling company vehicle who temporarily stops the vehicle as close as practical to the right edge of the right-hand shoulder of the roadway or right edge of the roadway if no shoulder exists for the purpose of and while actually engaged in the collection of solid waste or recyclables, or both, under chapters 81.77, 35.21, and 35A.21 RCW or by contract under RCW ((36.58.030 [36.58.040])) 36.58.040.

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